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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on July 18, 2006. Applicant hereby submits a copy of a Notification of Transmittal of Copies of Translation of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability (including Forms PCT/IB/338, PCT/IB/373 and PCT/ISA/237) with respect to International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/018750, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application, in which the following documents were cited:

- Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-108812;
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- (4) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-135796; and
- (5) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 4-343471.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained by the International Examiner, is set forth in the International Preliminary Report on Patentability. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the same.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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